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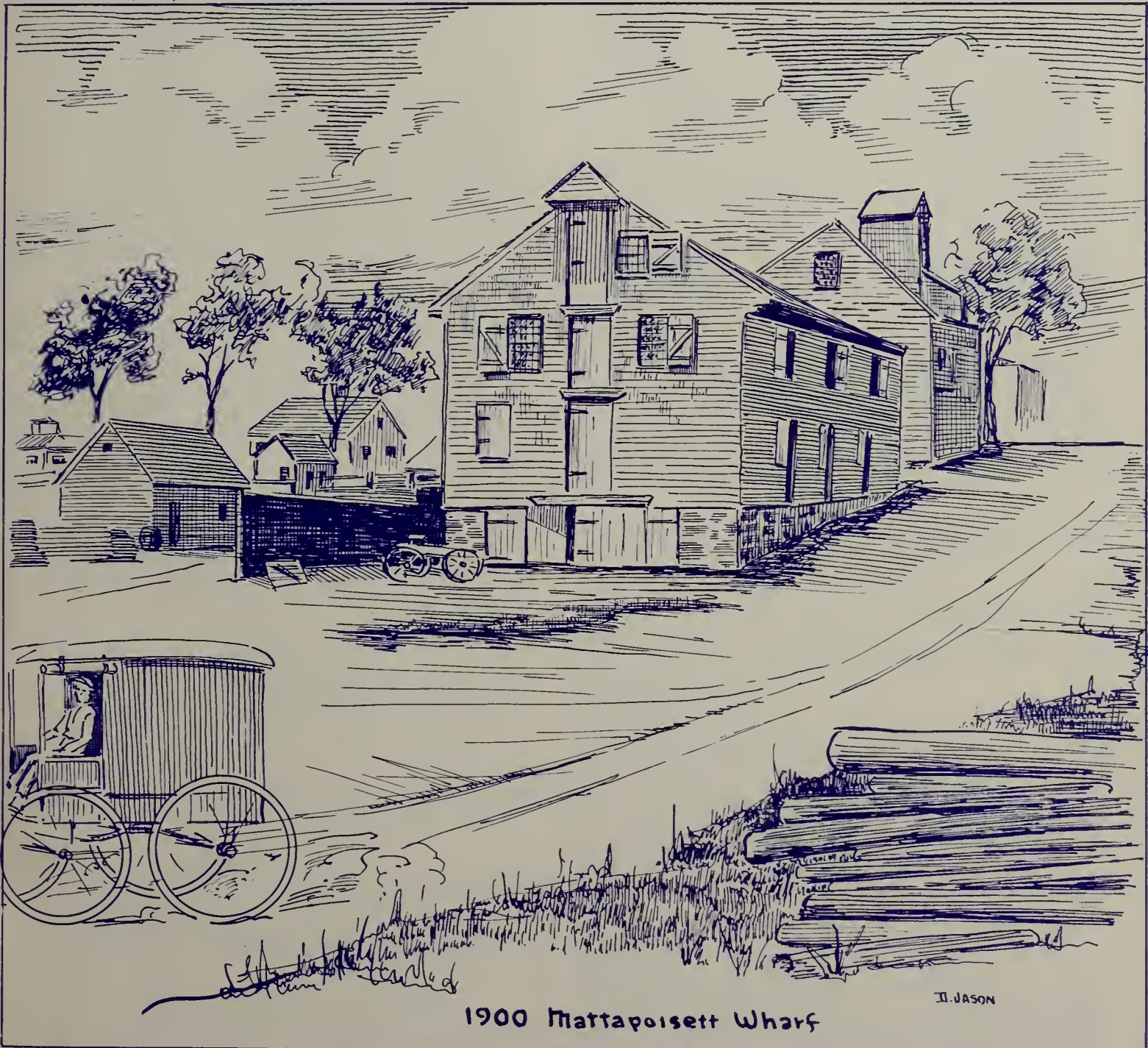
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Last week we pictured the wharf in the midst of violent change and ruin. We do not like what happened there. It did happen, though and became part of the history of the wharf, and so we recorded a change. A sad change. We hope and know that it will once again become a happy place. A place to square dance, enjoy a band concert, to fish, to tie up a boat, to enjoy for itself because it is the heart of the town.

This week's picture you probably will not recognize although it may look familiar. It is the wharf before 1900 and shows that change is not new to this landscape. The building in the foreground was an old sail loft where Ernest Dexter's father ran a business for some time. The foundation is still to be seen across from the stone gates that mark the entrance to shipyard park. Perhaps some of our readers will remember this building. Notice the trees in the background, they were young trees at this time. This picture was drawn from a photograph made by the late Mr. Walter Dexter and furnished to us by Mr. Ernest Dexter, whom we thank very much.

CHORAL GROUP MEETING

The choral group of the Mattapoisett Woman's Club will meet at the home of Mrs. Charles Smith on Fairhaven Road on Monday, September 20th at 8 P. M.

SOLOIST AT MORNING SERVICE

Mr. Walter Caswell of Pearl St., Mattapoisett was soloist at the morning service at Friends Meeting House last Sunday. Mr. Earl Wilson conducted the service.

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RESIDING ON FAIRHAVEN ROAD

Miss Sarah Hammond is residing at the Roscoe Barstow home on Fairhaven Rd., Mattapoisett for the winter.

SUNDAY SCHOOL RESUMES

Sunday School classes will resume at the Congregation Church in Mattapoisett on Sunday, September 26th. The primary, junior, junior high and senior high will meet at 9:30 A. M. and the kindergarten will meet at 10:45 A. M.

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

The executive board of the Woman's Club in Mattapoisett will meet at the home of the president, Mrs. Anthony J. Sylvia on Thursday, September 23rd at 2 P. M. in preparation for their first meeting on September 30th.

ENTERED FRAMINGHAM TEACHERS COLLEGE

Miss Mary Louise O'Brien of Marion Rd., Rochester has entered Framingham Teachers College. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. O'Brien and is a graduate of Wareham High School, class of 1954.

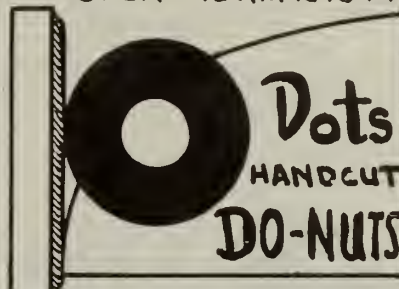
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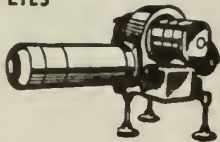
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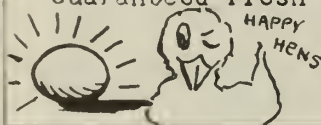
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The Hurricane

by Murray Tuttle

Death and destruction is thy aim, Hurri-
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Your bred and born in southern seas and
then branch out the world to tease.

You have no regular place to go, just take
delight your strength to show,

You take no thought of things devine, nor
place to strike at any time.

You whirl wound at fearful speed; of time
and place you take no heed;

You seem to take a heap of joy as things
and people you destroy

At times you strike out in the ocean and
then you take another notion

And back you come with angry wail and
slaughter humans with your tail.

You travel first in one direction and then
you turn without detection.

At times you do not travel fast, but take
great joy to make you last,

That you may strike and kill some more of
people all along the shore,

Knock down their houses day or night; that
seems to be your one delight.

You churn the water in the ocean wide; along
the shore you raise the tide

Then push it onward up the beach till all
is gone within its reach.

And what the water does not destroy, the
wind makes of it but a toy

And hurls it hither ore the land; all
that's left is a pile of sand.

The rain comes down to drench our hide
and adds its burden to the tide

For now the people as you know, poor beaten
souls, no place to go

And so they wander in despair, nor do they
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For their happy homes have been destroyed
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Mr. Joseph Magilton wishes to thank every person and organization for their cooperation in making the drive a success.

THANK YOU MR. MURRAY TUTTLE

We are very grateful to Mr. Tuttle for the poems that he so kindly furnishes for our paper. We await the sequel of the Hurricane poem which is bound to come. For in the void, the foundations stand and on those foundations new homes will rise.

VISITING SON IN ILLINOIS

Mrs. George Hiller visited at her Main Street home for a few days last week. She is now visiting her son, Richard and his family in Evanston, Ill. before returning to Vermont for the winter.

SOAPBOX DERBY CANCELLED

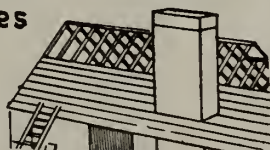
The soapbox derby which was to be held in October has been cancelled because of work to be done in restoring property in the town. So many of the fathers work together with their sons in building the racers that it was though best to call off the meet for this year.

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We are all very conscious of the havoc that "Carol" and "Edna" brought to us. Strangely enough, however, they brought some finer things, too. There can be nothing but admiration for the spirit of the people of Mattapoisett, who, realizing the existence of a Supreme Being have, each in his own way, found a way to know and appreciate the finest qualities of his neighbors.

The meeting was opened by the President, Mr. Joseph Collins. Father George started with a prayer, which was followed by reading of the minutes of the previous meeting. Father Damien was not present, as his work had called him elsewhere.

It was with sincere regret that we had to bid farewell to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cullen, who have contributed so much to the Association. They are moving to Boston. Mr. and Mrs. William Poisson will also be missed as they are leaving for another area. Best of luck to them! Miss Josephine Perry kindly consented to take over the duties of Mr. Poisson as Treasurer until the election of officers which will take place shortly.

We were happy to welcome a new bride, lovely Joyce Donati. The new bridegroom, Fred Donati, will be chairman of a birthday party of the Association, which will take place on Tuesday, October 5th to celebrate the first anniversary of its founding. We hope to have a large attendance at the party, which promises to be a lot of fun for the members.

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I hope that most of our readers had an opportunity to see the exhibit, held by the Pottery, showing the work done by our residents. Unfortunately the storm cut the show short and is the reason for this belated comment on the showing. In my opinion the show was a fine one and I was astonished at the number of exhibitors from this area and at the quality of their work. It is very hard to single out any one picture but if you saw the exhibit you will remember as I do a very dramatic, strong, watercolor of a lighthouse by Janet Eldridge. It was a knockout. Janet is building a collection of paintings from many sections of the country in preparation for a one man show, which I hope to see. Mr. James Maury exhibited a good oil. The view from the wharf looking up toward Cannon Street was painted in a semi-primitive style with good color and drawing. Mrs. Katherine Maury, who also paints in oil showed some town landscapes. She is a colorist who paints very rapidly, and surely, and very well. She is now painting at Burr Boat Yard where she finds an interesting problem in the boat ruins. Mrs. Phyllis Yerkes' still life, was a standout. It showed well balanced design and color as did her portrait. Herbert Arral has done some good watercolors. In fact, it is next to impossible to single out a best from the many good paintings shown. That is the fascinating thing about art. Different people will like different pictures and there were variety for all. I was happy to see that so many are enjoying a hobby that gives the greatest lift to our creative urge. I hope that the shows may continue and the interest will spread. So many people will say, "I can't even draw a straight line." I say that anyone who wants to

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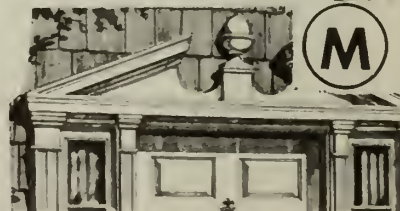
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TEACHERS MEETING

The Sunday School teachers of the Mattapoisett Congregational Church will meet on Wednesday, September 21st in the church vestry at 8 P. M.

Anyone interested in teaching, may contact Mr. Emerson Hiller on Cannon St.

PLANS DANCE

The Men's Brotherhood of the First Congregational Church of Rochester plan to hold a dance Saturday in the Town Hall.

LEFT FOR TEXAS

Mrs. Joseph F. Furtado visited her sister-in-law, Mrs. Cecelia Lemieux, of Marion Rd., Rochester last week-end. Mrs. Furtado left Monday for Texas where she will join her husband, Master Sgt. Joseph F. Furtado in Waco, Texas. Sgt. Furtado will retire from the army in June after serving for thirty-five years.

RESIDING IN NEW HOME

Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Roderick and family are residing in their newly purchased home on Tobey Lane. They formerly lived in an apartment of the Kinney house on North St.

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MATTAPOISETT TEAM LOSES TO MARION

The Mattapoisett Reds in the Little League lost to the Marion Eagles last Sunday by a score of 3 to 1. This was a sudden death playoff for the championship of the Capeway Little League, played at the Marion field. All of Marion's runs were unearned by the result of two costly errors. It was a close and exciting game until the last out in the last inning.

The Mattapoisett players were Richard Perry, Henry Philla, Clifton Akin, Milton Heuberger, George Henshaw, Michael Fitzgerald, Charles Bowman, Michael Renahan and Edward Sylvia.

Mattapoisett can well be proud of their Little League teams. The final league standings showed the Marion Eagles in a first place tie with the Mattapoisett Reds. The Mattapoisett Blues were next followed by the Rochester A's, the Marion Cubs and the Rochester B's. Wait til next year!

RETURNED TO SCHOOL

Mary Morse, daughter of Mrs. Margaret Morse of North St., Mattapoisett, and Shirley Coderre, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Coderre of Water St., Mattapoisett, have returned to Sacred Hearts Academy in Fairhaven.

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from Germany where she visited her aunt
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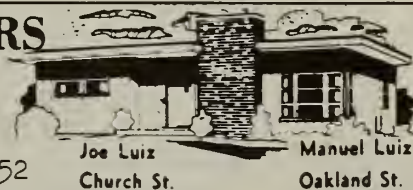
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RESIDING ON MECHANIC ST.

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ENTERTAINED AT REUNION

Mr. and Mrs. N. Floyd Tinkham enter-
tained Mrs. Tinkham's brothers and sisters
at a reunion held at their home on Mech-
anic St., Mattapoissett on Tuesday, Sept-
ember 14th. A turkey supper was served
by the host and hostess, assisted by their
son, Rev. Allen F. Tinkham, and daughter,
Miss Joen Tinkham.

The guests were Mr. Charles E. Vaughan,
who will observe his 80th birthday on
September 30th, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur S.
Vaughan and Miss Julia K. Vaughan of New
Bedford, Rev. and Mrs. James B. Tripp of
Winter Park, Florida and Mrs. Nelson F.
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COMPLETED TRAINING

Ross Hopkins of Fairhaven Rd., an officer
in the Naval Reserve, has just completed
his two weeks annual training duty at South
Weymouth Naval Air Station.

TIDES

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME

		High		Low	
		AM	PM	AM	PM
September	23	5:42	6:08	0:03	0:15
	24	6:31	6:53	0:43	1:02
	25	7:15	7:35	1:15	1:39
	26	7:58	8:15	1:42	2:10
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LETTER FROM MRS JONES

A letter received here recently from Mrs. Robert Jones of Connecticut, a former resident of Mattapoissett, expressed how upset her boys were because they weren't here to experience and see the hurricane that hit just after they moved.

AREA BUSINESSES MAKE RAPID RECOVERY

Already many places of business are back in shape. The Shining Tides and the Holiday House have announced the reopening. Johnny's Bike Shop has the building back up and well along toward completion. Burr Boat has at least located many of their possessions and are moving right along in the straightening out process. The Town Shop is doing business and putting the finishing touches on the cleaning up and getting in order. Perry River Gardnes has maneuvered into position and is serving his trade with his usual courtesy and thoughtfulness. Burnham Nurseries has a good supply of lime to prepare your lawns to offset the salt water ducking, and his fall supply of all kinds of bulbs are in, which he says should be planted right now so you can enjoy them next spring. He can also landscape and reset and perhaps save your evergreens. Yes, everyone is getting into position or has and is ready to greet you in that old Mattapoissett way, usually remarking "Sure I got hit real bad but many of the others got it worse".

As soon as final details are ironed out, Aucoot Cove Boat Yard will have an announcement to make that will be received with profound admiration for its owner Andy Alden. Like ourselves, he has had a plan for years that would better his operation. It's a brainchild that he has been working out the details of for years. As he and his yard foreman were dismantling his old large storage shed, he entrusted me with his plan. It is really a wonderful idea so don't miss following our report of progress, you will learn each week what spunk these boys have.

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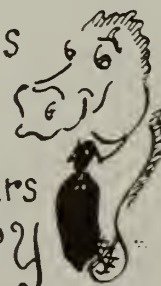
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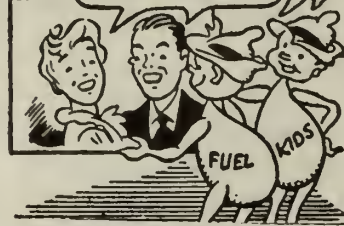
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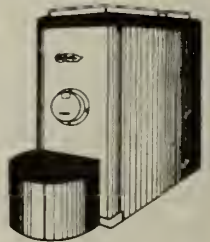
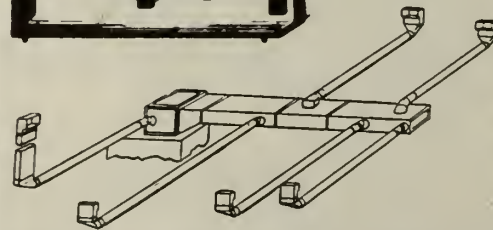
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